

REMARKS

Claims 2, 4, 7, 9, 12-16, 22, 25 are amended to delete multiple dependencies. Claims 3, 5-6, 8, 10-11, 18-21, 23-24 and 26 are canceled. New claims 27-34 are added.

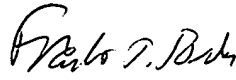
Further independent process claim 1 is amended to include feature of the claim 5 and independent apparatus claim 17 is amended to include feature of the claim 23, in view of that claims 5, 13, 23 and 25 are considered as patentable by the International preliminary amendment. The new independent process claim 28 corresponds to the claim 13 while the new independent apparatus claim 34 corresponds to the claim 25.

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